

Summer Blacks Give Contrast to Colors

Dark Suits of Faile, Crepe Noted in Fashiondom.

By CHERIE NICHOLAS

In sharp contrast to the color excitement that is now going on in fashion realms at top speed, comes the message of renewed enthusiasm for "summer blacks."

The trend to stylish, summery blacks is noted in advance dress and millinery collections. Just now interest centers about stunning suits neatly tailored of black silk faille or crepe. For immediate wear there's nothing smarter than a black faille redingote or jacket suit enhanced by frothy white frills. Black faille and black taffeta are favorites for slim and demure classic daytime dresses which serve so effectively as a background for the alluring white lingerie accents.

A vast program of summery black sheers is on the way. These take on enchanting touches of neckwear and costume jewelry. Many of these sheers are lavishly pleated. Some are lace-trimmed. The newest black of fashion is the detachable apron of matching black sheer, often lace-bordered.

The cause of black is eloquently set forth in hats that are daintily wide of brim. Style-minded women are wearing handsome huge black kilans with their gay black frocks and the fashion will gain momentum when the summer program gets into full swing. Very much in the picture are immense underarm bags of shiny patent leather, though matching pump that have pert bows.

Sheer Redingote



One of the big successes of the season in daytime costumes is the print crepe frock with a redingote of monotone sheer. For the very attractive model pictured, Evelyn Alden designed a sheer navy coat, topped a scatter-dot printed dress. Interesting and new is the taupe detail on the high-positioned twin pockets on the coat. These sheer redingotes are sure to prove a happy possession, as they will serve as a separate summer wrap over your light frocks.

Lace in Demand

Lace is being used for everything, dresses, coats, hats, bags, gloves. A new entrant is the little knife-placed shoulder cape of sheerest lace.

The new redingotes, made of sturdy cotton or linen all-over lace, are good looking. Make them up in white or pastels. You will find that the lace redingote serves as a charming summer wrap.

Fads and Fancies

Like to embroider? If so, there's inspiration to do and to dare, for smart sleek suits are now being trimmed with elaborately embroidered pockets.

A newcomer in the millinery realm is the hat with the two-way brim. Turn the softly styled brim up and you have the latest pompadour type to be worn back on the head. Turn it down and it plays the role of the very fashionable "covered wagon" drooping brim that frames the face and the pompadour hair-do in a picturesque manner.

The dress with the transparent yoke is front-page fashion news. If you are handy at "fading over," a yoke of colorful chiffon or other silk sheer might be the means of transforming a dress with a none-too-flattering neckline into a gay little flatterer. You could make the yoke first and baste it in, cutting the cloth of the dress underneath away. This is an especially clever way of giving a summery look to a simple black frock you've perhaps worn all winter.

Pamplin Personals

Pamplin, May 12.—Miss Phoebe Casey, of Lynchburg spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Will Lucado.

Mrs. Cora Higgins, of Harrisonburg, is spending several days in the home of Mrs. Rosa Cumby.

Roy Ligon, of Richmond, spent last week-end with his parents.

Week-end guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Ford were Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Williams and Miss Elizabeth Ford, of Fredericksburg, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Ford and son, of Lynchburg, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Ford, T. D. Gilliam and H. S. Gilliam, of Statesville, N. C.

Miss Mary Rives Black was week-end guest in the home of Misses Kato and Edith O'Brien, of Appomattox.

Miss Helen Davis spent last week-end with Miss George, of Burkeville.

John Ramsey, Lawrence Ramsey, and Clarence Ramsey visited their sister, Mrs. Beatie Wilkerson Sunday.

Week-end guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Fitzgerald, Jr. and son, of Petersburg, Mr. and Mrs. H. Fitzgerald, of Wakefield, and Mrs. Moon Fitzgerald, of Appomattox.

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2,350,000 Babies Born in United States Last Year

WASHINGTON.—An estimate that 2,350,000 babies were born in the United States last year, the highest number since 1920, came today from the census bureau.

This was approximately 100,000 greater than the 1929 total and lifted the national birth rate from 17.3 to 18 for every 1,000 of population. The rate was the lowest in 1923, when it stood at 16.5.

Nevertheless, the bureau said that the long-range birth rate trend still was downward. It attributed the 1940 rise largely to the fact that persons born of marriages during the immediate post-World War period—which saw a sharp upturn in wedding—had reached the reproductive ages.

Another possible factor, the bureau said, was the increase in marriages which normally accompanies better economic conditions.

The increased birth rate was accompanied by a decrease in the infant mortality rate from 48 to 47.9 deaths for each 1,000 births. However, the overall death rate in 1940, working independently, they said, was 10.8 to 10.8 deaths for each 1,000 of population.

Editor's Hobby Yields Profit in Autographs

JEFFERSON, OHIO.—The autograph collecting hobby of E. C. Lampton, Jefferson editor, has taken on the aspects of big business. Lampton's autographing has yielded him as much as \$750 in a single afternoon. He earned this amount when he found a bundle of letters written by John Brown of Happers Ferry fame.

He specializes in Presidents' autographs, however, of which his collection now has 31.

According to Lampton, letters written by Benjamin Harrison are the most valuable. Depend on subject matter in them, prices range from \$10,000 to \$20,000. A letter from James Buchanan, written while he was postmaster at Baltimore, also is highly valued.

Callers in the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Coleman Sunday indicated the following: Mr. and Mrs. A. Conner and Mrs. Lucy Conner, of Appomattox, and Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Pauletta, of Farmville, and Mr. and Mrs. O. Vin Coleman, of Norfolk.

There is some tobacco land being prepared this week. The plants are growing rapidly, and with a small season some will probably be planted later this week.

MEASURING PARTY

A "Measuring Party" will be given at the home of S. C. Ransom Saturday night, at 7, at P. P. Ransom's home. The party will be provided with prizes will be given. Admission is one cent per inch of your waist, not exceeding 35¢. Proceeds of this party will be used for the W. M. U. of the Rocks Bay church. (The public is invited to attend.)

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As you read this, a new \$21,000,000 Ford airplane engine plant, started only last fall, is nearly completed. A new magnesium alloy plant, one of the few in the

Evergreen

Evergreen, May 12.—The weather continues unseasonably cool. There was a light frost both Sunday and Monday.

There was a fair attendance at Evergreen Baptist Sunday School Sunday morning, 108 present, collection for the Virginia Baptist hospital was \$40.29. The young men's class, with an attendance of 9, contributed \$2.00.

Revival services will begin at the Evergreen Baptist church next Monday night, May 19th. (The Rev. I. Frederick Jones, of Appomattox, preaching for the duration of the series.)

Mrs. T. T. Evans has returned to her home after an extended visit with her daughter, Mrs. Pope, at Rock Hill, S. C.

Mrs. Tucker Clark returned to her home after spending two weeks with relatives at Harlan, Ky.

Mr. and Mrs. Geoffrey Austin and daughters and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Deadman and children, of Portsmouth spent the week-end with relatives here.

James Pauletta and G. T. Farn of Lynchburg called at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Pauletta Sunday.

Elisabeth Farrar spent last night at her home. Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Pauletta also visited at Western Sunday.

Mrs. J. D. Jennings is visiting her mother at Appomattox this week.

Mrs. J. E. Young, who has been sick for sometime, was taken to Lynchburg today for medical treatment.

Wedding bells are soon to ring again in the vicinity of Evergreen. We hope and expect this popular young couple will remain in the community. The event will be announced in this column shortly.

Miss Rosa Mae Woodridge, a writer while he was postmaster at Baltimore, also is highly valued.

On the other hand, George Washburn's letters have sold for as little as \$2, Lampton said.

Surprised Sheep Herder

LEARNS ABOUT THE DRAFT

GLOBE, ARIZ.—The draft "I never heard of it," said Sylvester P. Voll, 29-year-old sheep herder when he returned to town for the first time in many months.

Voll explained to the Globe county board of supervisors that he had been herding sheep on a ranch near Hayden and had not seen a paper or listened to a radio in many months.

Voll not only had never heard of selective service but he didn't even know whether he's an American citizen.

After the Selective Service act was explained to him, Voll said he guessed he'd register "right away."

NEW WAVE OF STRIKES IN NATION

Respect Roosevelt to deliver first radio address May 27th.

Winston Churchill to have private interview with Hoss, German leader who fled to England.

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JOBS FOR GRADUATES

Employment demand for this June's graduates from Virginia colleges and universities is at the highest peak in many years, educators report. One dean of a prominent college has calculated that employment opportunities are 25 per cent above normal, and that as many firms are seeking new employees as in 1929, the banner year. A technical institute has reported that calls for employees are 50 per cent greater than last year, with salary offerings 10 per cent higher.

The survey indicates that in nearly every instance, graduates desiring jobs will be able to find them without exception, before the end of the summer.

Ernest Calhoun, of Baltimore visited his sister, Mrs. O. C. Pauletta, Sunday.

Many of the younger men of the community, and others not so young have left the farm for the more lucrative employment in defensive operations.

Rev. C. A. Collins, Jr., and Rev. A. A. Chocklett attended the pastor's conference at Farmville Monday.

Wesley Farrar and C. W. Kurtz, Jr. are the most recent to develop the new church.

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REVENUE COLLECTIONS

Internal revenue collections in Virginia were up more than four million dollars in April over the same month a year ago. Collector N. B. Early, Jr., has announced.

The marked increase reflects a steady rise in every classification under which receipts are grouped. Mr. Early stated. April collections totaled \$20,349,421.15, as compared with \$16,574,421.21 in April, 1940. Biggest gain, of nearly \$2,000,000, was in internal revenue stamps.

American airplane production reaches new